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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5197

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, AO

SUBJECT: ANGOLAN RECOGNITION

REF: STATE 265503

1. DISCUSSED ANGOLAN RECOGNITION WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY  
DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN AFFAIRS QADDAH NOV. 11, MAKING POINTS  
REFTEL. HE WAS VERY INTERESTED IN SOURCE OUR INFORMATION  
RE WHICH MOVEMENTS CONTROL WHICH TERRITORY (PARA 4 REFTEL)  
AS HE SAYS IT INCONSISTENT WITH AFP DESPATCHES REPORTING  
THAT MPLA IN EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF 12 OUT OF 16 DISTRICTS.

2. HE SAID SYRIA HAD TAKEN NO ACTION AS YET REGARDING  
RECOGNITION BUT WOULD PROBABLY DO SO IN NEXT DAY OR TWO  
"RECOGNIZING GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA IN LUANDA" WITHOUT  
MENTIONING MPLA. HE SAID SYRIA HAD HISTORICALLY SUPPORTED  
MPLA, REGARDED FNLA AS OUTMODED TRIBAL GROUP, AND  
DISCOUNTED UNITA, WHICH PROBABLY SUPPORTED BY SOUTH AFRICA.

3. HAD IMPRESSION THAT SYRIA IS WAITING FINAL WORD  
FROM KAMPALA REGARDING OAU'S LAST-DITCH EFFORTS  
AT RECONCILIATION, WHICH IT HOPES WILL SUCCEED, BUT  
THAT SARG WILL SOON RECOGNIZE GOVT OF ANGOLA IN ANY  
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4. QADDAH WOULD CLEARLY LIKE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
ON LATEST EVENTS IN ANGOLA INCLUDING CITATION OF  
SOURCES. RECOMMEND DEPT PROVIDE LATEST INFORMATION  
AVAILABLE FOR US TO SHARE WITH HIM EVEN THOUGH THERE  
IS ONLY SLIM CHANCE THAT IT WILL HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT  
EFFECT ON SYRIA'S DECISION REGARDING RECOGNITION.  
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